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SUBJ: DRUG DEPENDENCE SECTION, WORLD PSYCHIATRIC ASSOCIATION

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- 1. GOC HEALTH MINISTRY OFFICIALS CONCERNED WITH DRUG DEPENDENCE TREATMENT RESPONDED FAVORABLY TO THE IDEA OF BEING REPRESENTED AT THE WORLD PSYCHIATRIC ASSOCIATION CONGRESS MENTIONED IN REFTEL. THEY TOLD EMBOFF, HOWEVER, THAT THE GOVERNMENT'S AUSTERITY MEASURES WOULD NOT ALLOW FUNDING PARTICIPATION.
- 2. THE IDEAL GOC REPRESENTATIVE WOULD BE DR. MARIA ROSA MAS TORNER, DRUG ABUSE EXPERT AND PRINCIPAL ADVISOR TO THE MINISTER OF HEALTH ON DRUG MATTERS. DR. MAS HAS ATTENDED SEVERAL INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCES ON DRUGS, MOST RECENTLY THE REGIONAL CONFERENCE ON DEMAND REDUCTION IN CARACAS IN DECEMBER 1976. 1975 SANTIAGO 5853 CONTAINS BIOGRAPHIC DATA FOR DR. MAS, WHO ALMOST SINGLEHANDEDLY IS RESPONSIBLE FOR INSPIRING GOC PROGRAMS IN THIS FIELD.
- 3. THE EMBASSY BELIEVES THAT DR. MAS' PARTICIPATION WOULD GIVE A SIGNIFICANT BOOST TO RECENTLY INITIATED GOC DRUG DEPENDENCE AND ABSUE PROGRAMS. ACCORDINGLY, WE RECOMMEND LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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THAT S/NM FUND THE PARTICIPATION OF A GOC REPRESENTATIVE.

4. ONCE USG FUNDING IS APPROVED, EMBASSY WILL ADVISE MS. PAMELA THURBER, WORLD CONGRESS COORDINATOR (PARA 6 REFTEL).
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